# Mountain Weather Forecast

## North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Friday 18 Feb 2022 until 23:59 on Saturday 19 Feb 2022

Forecast Issued on Friday 18 Feb 2022 at 03:29 by Met Office Aberdeen

**Confidence:** High for quite unsettled, save for Saturday, but lowering for the detail of timing of poorest conditions.

**Headline for Friday 18 Feb 2022:** Periods of snow and extensive hill fog during the morning, clearing to scattered showers towards early evening. Severe wind chill and summit blizzards.

**Mountain weather hazards on Friday 18 Feb 2022**

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| **Blizzards**<br>Low Likelihood | **Heavy persistent snow**<br>Medium Likelihood | **Storm force winds**<br>No Likelihood |
| **Gales**<br>Low Likelihood | **Severe chill effect**<br>Medium Likelihood | **Poor visibility**<br>Medium Likelihood |
| **Thunderstorms**<br>No Likelihood | **Heavy persistent rain**<br>No Likelihood | **Strong sunlight**<br>No Likelihood |

| **Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m** | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Time | | | | | |
| 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 |
| | | | | | |
| Heavy snow | Heavy snow | Heavy snow | Heavy snow | Heavy snow | Light snow |
| Precipitation probability | | | | | |
| 50% | 90% | 80% | 70% | 40% | 60% |

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**Weather:** Rather cloudy overnight with isolated snow showers merging to longer and heavier periods of snow towards dawn. Overcast morning with periods of snow, turning heavy at times. This gradually clears eastwards through the afternoon, as scattered snow showers follow from the northwest, reaching all towards early evening, which turn more frequent mid to late evening.

**Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m:** Virtually nil at first becoming 80% by early evening.

**Low cloud and visibility:** Generally moderate to very poor in the periods of snow at first, only a few metres in cloud with bases from 500m extensive during the morning. Becoming mainly good towards early evening.

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**Forecast for Friday 18 Feb 2022**

| Height (m) | Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from) | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 | 00:00 |
| **1300** | 27/35 SE | 32/41 E | 30/40 N | 33/43 N | 25/33 NW | 24/31 W | 20/27 W |
| **900** | 23/29 SE | 27/33 NE | 27/34 N | 27/35 N | 19/25 W | 19/25 W | 16/21 W |
| **600** | 7/9 SE | 18/24 NE | 20/27 N | 18/26 N | 12/17 W | 13/19 W | 12/18 W |
| **300** | 2/5 SE | 10/21 NE | 13/26 N | 11/24 N | 5/13 W | 6/15 W | 6/15 SW |
| **Glen** | 3/11 N | 6/19 NE | 7/23 N | 6/21 N | 5/19 W | 5/17 W | 3/13 W |

| Height (m) | Temperature / Feels Like (°C) | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 | 00:00 |
| **1300** | -7/-17 | -6/-17 | -7/-17 | -7/-18 | -8/-17 | -8/-17 | -7/-16 |
| **900** | -3/-11 | -4/-12 | -4/-12 | -4/-12 | -4/-12 | -4/-12 | -4/-12 |
| **600** | -2/-6 | -2/-9 | -2/-9 | -2/-9 | -2/-8 | -2/-8 | -2/-8 |
| **300** | -0/-2 | -1/-5 | -1/-6 | -0/-5 | -1/-4 | -1/-4 | -1/-5 |
| **Glen** | -1/-3 | -1/-5 | 0/-5 | 1/-4 | 0/-3 | 0/-3 | -0/-3 |
| **Freezing Level*** | 100m | 200m | 200m | 300m | 200m | 200m | 200m |

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

**Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View**
Severe wind chill at height, also navigation difficult during the morning and early afternoon in extensive hill fog.

**Forecast for Saturday 19 Feb 2022**
**Weather:** Fair by day with good bright and sunny spells and only a few isolated and light wintry showers cropping up. Band of snow spreading from southwest during the late evening.

**Maximum wind:** West or southwest 25mph gusts 40mph, backing south later in day.

**Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m:** 95%

**Low cloud and visibility:** Good or very good, becoming moderate or poor in showers, only a few metres in cloud with bases infrequently lowering 600m in showers.

**Temperature:** **Glens:** Minus 5 Celsius increasing 4 Celsius during the afternoon
**At 800m:** Minus 5 Celsius
**Freezing level:** 200m

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